

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (CLMD)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

66686

Agenda Number

10.

Meeting Date:

January 26, 2017

Department:

Capital Contracting Office

## Subject

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with EXCEL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, LLC for the Montopolis Reclaimed Water Initiative Storage Reservoir and Pump Station project in the amount of \$10,825,000 plus a \$541,250 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$11,366,250. (District 2)

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

## Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

**Purchasing Language:**

Lowest responsive bid of five bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.

**Prior Council Action:**

**For More Information:**

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**Boards and Commission Action:**

December 14, 2016 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a vote of 8-0 with Commissioners Blanding and Michel absent.

**Related Items:**

**MBE / WBE:**

This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 9.88% MBE and 7.64% WBE participation.

## Additional Backup Information

The Montopolis Reclaimed Water Initiative Storage Reservoir and Pump Station project is the construction of a new reclaimed water ground storage tank, pump station, and associated piping on Montopolis Drive. The new reservoir and pump station will improve the service to future and current Austin Water customers in the surrounding area such as South Austin Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant, Austin Energy's Sand Hill Energy Center, Hornsby Bend Biosolids Facility, Austin Animal Center, Guerrero Park, Krieg Fields, and Whole Foods and future customers such as Spansion, the University of Texas Research Center, Burleson Industrial Park, and the Dove Springs Recreation Center.

The Montopolis Reclaimed Water Initiative Storage Reservoir and Pump Station will be a 4 million gallon ground storage tank approximately 130 feet in diameter and 45 feet in height which is used to store reclaimed water prior to distribution to customers. The tank is important in the function of the reclaimed water system south of the Colorado River. The system will back-feed into the Central Low Service Area, where there is little storage and thereby improve service to current and future customers.

A new pump station adjacent to the storage tank will convey water from the tank to the distribution system and pump into the Central Service Area to provide reclaimed water to customers and improve reliability. This pump station is designed to provide an ultimate capacity of 8.6 million gallons per day based on four pumps at 2,000 gallons per minute each, with one unit out of service.

The project also includes associated site work, piping, electrical work, mechanical work, instrumentation, utility connections, landscaping, and traffic controls for a complete reservoir and pump station facility.

Staff held numerous public outreach meetings and as a result of discussions with the Montopolis Neighborhood Contact Team during consideration of the storage tank and pump station project. In consideration of the type of project and to address the concerns of the Montopolis Neighborhood Contact Team, Austin Water will fund a future Arts in Public Places site-specific project for the neighborhood. In line with the Art in Public Places program guidelines and Arts Commission process, the location of the project and all other project parameters will be defined through the prospectus generated in collaboration with the Montopolis Neighborhood Contact Team.

Due to the potential for conflicts when working in a new site and wastewater treatment plant facility, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. A contingency is an additional amount of money added to the construction budget to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project.

A delay executing this construction contract could result in a delay in improved service for current and future Austin Water customers.

The contract allows 510 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78617 (District 2). The project is managed by Public Works.

Excel Construction Services, LLC is located in Leander, Texas.

Information on this solicitation is available through the City's Financial Services website. Link: [Solicitation Documents](#).